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The official newsletter of the

Barony of Unser Hafen



October 2025

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Baronial Bite

Dearest Unser Hafen,

As always, we continue to be in awe of the feats of service, arts , and marshal activities that Our populace performs!

Notably, Sir Uchtred and Lady Dagny organized and expertly ran Jotunnstaor II, an event filled with excellent fighting, hours of song, games in the rain, and good friends all around. Thank you to you both for giving us a relaxing, fun weekend!

A special thanks to Our outgoing Defender, Lord Primus, and our incoming Defender, Lady Sophia! She fought the tournaments with skill and honor and won the name of Defender of Unser Hafen!

And yet more gratitude to Our outgoing Pencerrd bard, Viðbjorn, and our incoming champion, Lady Aelia! She filled the night sky with violin and vocal song that enchanted us all.

We hope to see Our Unser Populace at Crown tournament in Dragonsspine, as well as baronial polling in Caer Galen this month.

With love from your Unser Moms,

Kitta and Safiyya

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Seneschal's Sentiments

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I hope this missive finds you well and enjoying the lovely Colorado foliage. Jotunnstaor II prevailed despite a little wind and rain. It was a great opportunity to enjoy wool again. Many shenanigans happened. Red Light/Green Light made a comeback. Sir Uchtred, Lady Dagny and their crew did a fantastic job! Many, many thanks!

Congratulations to the new Lady Sophia Rares, Unser Hafen's new Defender and Lady Aelia as the new Pencerdd Bard! Also for Lady Dagny upon receiving her Stag's Heart, Lord Secundus joining the Stag's Blood and Lord Windfred for his White Scarf.

The Barbarian Night Demo at MeadKrieger Meadery was a big hit! The very large crowd was wowed by Unser Hafen's fighters. Oo's, ah's and cheers were heard everywhere. The A&S table drew many curious visitors. Thank you to Bear's Gate and all demonstrators for a great time.

Our monthly meetings will continue to be virtual. The next Quarterly Gathering at 3 Margaritas will be on Nov 19 in Fort Collins, so mark your calendars!

Outlands Fall Crown Tournament will be October 17-19 in the Barony of Dragonsspine. Come witness the crowning of our new Prince and Princess.

For more information on these or any other events, details are available on the Outlands and Unser Hafen calendars.

Until we meet again, I remain yours in service,
Meadhbh

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Herald's Call

Hello, good folk of Unser Hafen!

This has been a quiet month for me, though it's always nice to have a period of rest as the seasons change. As such, my report shall be brief.

I've made a good start on my name pronunciation guide—shoutout to all those gentles who have updated their names on the unofficial Outlands wiki to include pronunciations! Additionally, I will be present at both Crown Tournament in Dragonsspine and the dual Caerthe/Caer Galen baronial polling event if anyone has questions or requires heraldic assistance.

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of me whatsoever. Thank you!

Yours in service,

Hilarion Barbican

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Scribal Notes

October's **Scribal Night** will be on the third Monday, **October 20th!**

As always, dinner will be available at 6pm and project space/class time at 630 pm. If you would like to partake of dinner and have any food restrictions or allergies, please let Regalis know so she can plan accordingly. Or if you would like to provide dinner, volunteers are always appreciated!

Class is still on hold pending our teacher's availability, though if there is a topic you would like to discuss, Regalis is happy to attempt it. :)

If there is a topic you would love to see covered at future Scribal Nights, please do not hesitate to share! Please email scribe@unserhafen.org with your ideas!

Yours in Service,
Regalis dei Falchi, Baronial Scribe

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Fighter Practice

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Sundays
2:00 pm to 5:00 pm
Dwayne Webster Veterans Park
400-422 W Eisenhower Blvd,
Loveland CO 80537

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Medieval Night

Locust Cidery

First Monday of every month
6-9 pm at Locust Cidery,
200 Walnut St, Fort Collins.

[Map](#)

Free Admission

Join us the first Monday of each month for dancing,
garb making, arts and crafts, and general merriment.

Garb is encouraged but not required.

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White Rose Inn

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The White Rose Inn is open again!

On the 2nd Wednesday of every month, the White Rose Inn will open for an evening of warmth and hospitality in Unser Hafen. We are expanding our focus. This year we

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No SCA garb is required, and you are welcome to bring along food if you didn't have time for dinner or if you want to share your latest medieval exploration.

Wednesday Oct 8, 2025

The Inn will be at the home of Lady Dagný and Sir Uchtred
2117 Springfield Dr in Fort Collins ([map](#))
Subject: Medieval Sauces

Wednesday Nov 12, 2025

The Inn will be at the home of Countess Rosalind and Master Thorfinn
3601 El Caminito St. in Loveland ([map](#))
Phone (970) 667-1284
Subject: Period Card Games

Wednesday Dec 10, 2025

The Inn will be at the home of Countess Richenda and Jarl Freana
1232 Lawrence Dr in Fort Collins ([map](#))
Phone (913) 219-3808
Subject: Make and Take Medieval Spice Blends/ Holiday potluck

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Call for Submissions

Anyone can write for the Gatekeeper!

Do you have an article or story that you would like to share with the populace? Send it to chronicler@unserhafen.org and it will be reviewed for inclusion in the Gatekeeper.

Do you have something to share with the populace concerning an event or activity that you normally post to Facebook? Please forward that information to webminister@unserhafen.org and chronicler@unserhafen.org as well so that it can be posted using all of our communication.

Submissions are due by the 27th of the month (except February, when it is the 24th,) but are accepted at any time.

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SCA Video Conversations

Greetings from Lady Valerie from Unser Hafen! I have a personal request. Would anyone like to have a video conversation with me about your SCA journey and learning endeavors? These would just be an easier, quieter way to get to know other

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with you.

They can be recorded or not recorded, per your preference. Thinking about 45 minutes to an hour in length. I used a Zoom- like app called Streamyard that is browser based. I can manage one to two conversations a month with my other obligations.

I enjoy learning and would like to talk with other learners. If you are interested, please send me an email at val@valerieflynn.com with the Subject "SCA Video Conversations". Looking forward to talking with you soon!

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Media Team Voices in the Box Project

Voices in the Box is a way for gentles to add their story to the online space, whether it be the history of the barony, a bardic contribution or sharing about what you're learning in A&S.

We can record one person a month using our alchemy powers of the aether. Sorry, no editing on this stage is available. Our magic only can do so much. Editing might be available in the future.

For full information, [go here](#).

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Volunteer Opportunities

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Get to really know your fellow gentles. Participate instead of just attend. Don't just live the dream. Be one of the ones who make the dream a reality.

Why do we help? Because we care. Because we love the game. Because we know we belong and so do you.

We are the doers, we are the makers, we bear the spirit of the Pelican. And so can you!

Build your renown, your competence, skills, confidence and make more friends who have the same chivalrous and generous heart as you.

Volunteer opportunities range from Event Stewards, Officers and Deputies, PayPal Check-ins, Event Cooks and staff. There are even some openings in the Media Team.

How do you want to join the team? Let us know! There's room at the table for you too!

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Baronial Goings On

Armoured and Fencing Practice/ A&S Gathering

Sundays, 2:00 p.m - 5:00 PM

See Fighter Practice section above for location.

We welcome any and all Arts & Sciences activities, and general SCA socializing! Updates can be found on the Book of Faces.

Garb is encouraged but not required.

Archery Practice

Outdoor Archery practice will start Saturday, April 5th. Time is from 10 am until noon. Our outdoor location is the Windsor Archery Range at HWY 257 & Poudre Trail Road. (Use "Poudre Trail Road and Colorado 257" in your mapping application.)

Equestrian Practice

Fourth Sunday of every month.

Contact: Lady Cecelia O'Connor
970-420-6652

Scribal Night

Every 3rd Monday at 6:30PM at the home of Lady Regalis dei Falchi, 5318 Ravenswood Lane, Johnstown, CO, ([map](#)) or virtually - check the [Book of Faces](#) for links to the meetings.

For more information contact scribe@unserhafen.org.

Going on in Sterling

Medieval Night

First Saturday of the month at 6:00pm.
High Plains Dice and Games
100 Broadway Street Suite 12
Sterling, CO 80752

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changes to the schedule.

Barbican Office Hours

On hiatus.

Time and place to be determined.

Calligraphy &/or Illumination

Contact: Regalis dei Falchi

Email: scribe@unserhafen.org

Craft Day at Aslief's

Every first Saturday, April through October.

10 am to 6 pm.

1601 Turkey Walk Trail

Loveland, CO 80537

[Bead Making Class](#) with Hanna at

October's Craft Day.

See website for more information and map. NOTE: there is road work affecting directions.

North Sterling State Park Range

24005 Co Rd 330

Sterling, CO 80751

For more details, contact

Shelbybrandes1@gmail.com or

Alan.e.brandes@gmail.com.

Visit the [Website](#) for more info, directions and any changes to the schedule for any of these activities. .

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Disclaimer

Although the SCA complies with all applicable laws to try to ensure the health and safety of our event participants, we cannot eliminate the risk of exposure to infectious diseases during in-person events. By participating in the in-person events of the SCA, you acknowledge and accept the potential risks. You agree to take any additional steps to protect your own health and safety and those under your control as you believe to be necessary.

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Upcoming Events

A Sworded Affaire

October 4 @ 8:00 am - 6:00 pm

The Menaul School

301 Menaul Blvd. NE

Albuquerque, NM 87017

[Event Site](#)

Outlands Fall Crown Tournament

October 17 @ 5:00 pm - October 19 @ 6:00 pm

Golden Eagle Campground

710 Rock Creek Canyon Rd STE 200

Colorado Springs, CO 80906

[Event Site](#)

Caerthe/ Caer Galen Super Barionial Polling

October 25th @ 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Roosevelt Park

901 Longs Peak Avenue, Longmont

Caerthe and Caer Galen will be hosting a joint polling. And since it is for 2 baronies, we are considering it a pretty full day. Bring your favorite snacks and games. Think along the lines of super bowl-ish style snacks and your favorite board/SCA game.

Harvest Fest

November 1st @ 9:00 am - 6:00 pm

First United Methodist Church

310 W 11th St Pueblo, CO

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Check the Unser Hafen [website](#) or [The Book of Faces](#) for additional upcoming events and locations.

Populace Meeting

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Virtual Populace Meeting

The third Wednesday of every month at 6:30 pm

Join with Google Meet: meet.google.com/fbz-auqx-iqi

Join by phone: +1 929-282-1162 PIN: 667 226 830#

For questions, contact seneschal@unserhafen.org

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Kingdom Calendar

Please visit

<https://www.outlands.org/events>
for the most up-to-date information.

Court of Unser Hafen



Her Excellency

Baroness Kitta Ragnvaldsdottir

baroness@unserhafen.org

Her Excellency

Baroness Safiyya bint Faris al Dani

baroness@unserhafen.org

Court Herald - Master Don Andreas von Meissen

Defender - Lady Sophia Rares

Protector - THL AgmundrThorolfsson

Warden - Lord Alain du Chateau

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Call for Letters of Intent

Chronicler

Call for Letters of Intent for the position of Chronicler, who creates and distributes this newsletter, using a free MailChimp account. Maintains a list of subscribers in MailChimp. Also responsible for any graphics needed using Inkscape (free).

Social Media

Call for Letters of Intent for the position of Social Media, who keeps social media accounts, such as Facebook, up to date with the latests news.

In your letter please include:

- A brief introduction to yourself, including your experience within the SCA and those skills you possess which make you a good candidate.
- Confirmation that you are indeed interested and desirous of the position.
- Optionally, you can provide a listing of awards you have received.
- Your modern name
- Your society/ SCA name.
- Your postal address.
- Your telephone number.
- Your email address.
- A copy of your membership card or membership number.

Officers must maintain SCA membership for the duration of their tenure.

Please send your letter to the following:

- The Unser Hafen Seneschal, Baroness Meadhbh Daingen int Slébh, via seneschal@unserhafen.org
- The Unser Hafen Baronesses Kitta and Safiyya, via baroness@unserhafen.org

Thank you for volunteering to help run our Barony!

More information can be found at: <https://unserhafen.wixsite.com/unserhafen/call-for-officers>

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Archery Coordinator
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Marshal of Fence:

Fencing Coordinator
Don Martin de Cuniga
[Maksym Wilozynski]
fence@unserhafen.org

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Coordinates the organization and safety of equestrian activities.
Lady Cecelia O'Connor
equestrian@unserhafen.org

Chatelaine/ Gold Key:

Public Relations and Welcome Coordinator
Proviides loaner garb for newcomers
Lord Gilbertus de Messina
[Lady Caírech Liath ingen Alpin]
chatelaine@unserhafen.org

Quartermaster:

Maintains and tracks equipment and assists Event Stewards with access to the storage unit.
Lady Laurel M.
quartermaster@unserhafen.org

{Deputies are listed in brackets.}

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Awards and Recognitions

Hype your friends!

If it takes work, there's probably an award for it.

Information on how and why to recommend someone for an award and instructions on how to do so is available on the [website](#).

A list of Baronial Awards can be found [here](#).

A list of Kingdom Awards is available [here](#).

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Wimble Herald

- <http://wimble.outlandsheralds.org/index.php>

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- <https://www.google.com/maps/place/Gryphon+Games+and+Comics/@40.5518711,-105.0970032,18.33z/data=!4m6!3m5!1s0x87694b0722773bc9:0xfa91cd56d0a6fbe2!8m2!3d40.5517128!4d-105.0974072!16s%2Fg%2F1hc34g714?hl=en&authuser=0>

Barony of Unser Hafen website:

- <https://unserhafen.org>

Barony of Unser Hafen Facebook page:

- <https://www.facebook.com/BaronyOfUnserHafen/>

Armoured and Fencing Website:

- <https://unserhafen.org/rapier-heavy-summer>
- Map for Edora Park: <https://www.google.com/maps/@40.5648628,-105.0512051,283m/data=!3m1!1e3?entry=ttu>

Archery Website:

- <https://unserhafen.wixsite.com/unserhafen/archery-summer>

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